THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) : (a) and (b) The production of Wheat and Rice in 2000-01 and 2001-02 is as under :

Year	Wheat (Million Tonnes)	Rice
2000-01	68.76	84.87
2001-02 (estimated)	73.53	90.75

Separate demand estimates for Wheat and Rice are not generated.

Funds for Agricultural Universities and KVKs

3954. SHRI H.K. JAVARE GOWDA: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the details of allocation of funds to various Agricultural Universities and Krishi Vigyan Kendras through various State Governments for the years 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) : Rs. 15722.50 lakhs and Rs. 16778.89 lakhs were allocated to various State Agricultural Universities during 2000-2001 and 2001-2002. An amount of Rs. 2819.46 lakhs and Rs. 3447.41 lakhs were allocated to Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK) established under State Agricultural Universities during 2000-2001 and 2001-02 respectively.

Researches on Genetic Structure in Pulses

†3955. SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether ICAR has demanded additional funds from the Planning Commission for research to find out gene structure in pulses and other foodgrains and the effect of other genes in all other foodgrains; if so how much amount is required by the council for this purpose;

(b) whether the Ministry has held deliberations with the Planning Commission in this regard; and

(c) if so, the response from the Planning Commission received by the Ministry in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) : (a) DARE/ICAR has proposed Rs. 15,000 crores as X Plan outlay for agricultural research including biotechnology. In addition to this Rs. 1000 crores has been proposed as catch up grant during X Plan.

DARE/ICAR has also proposed Rs. 520 crores including Rs. 300 crores for research in agricultural biotechnology during 2002-2003. However, no separate proposal has been made for additional funds from Planning Commission for research to find gene structure in pulses and other foodgrains.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Planning Commission has communicated Rs. 4800 crores as X Plan outlay and Rs. 775 crores for the Annual Plan 2002-03.

Central Agriculture University at Imphal

3956. SHRI RISHANG KEISHING : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether a Central Agriculture University has been established for the North Eastern States with principle Centre at Imphal, Manipur;

(b) if so, the progress of the university as on date; and

(c) the steps being taken for further improvement of the university;

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) 1. College of agriculture Imphal, Manipur Estt. in 1993. 230 B.Sc. and 69 M.Sc. candidates passed out M.Sc. (Ag.) programme in six subjects is being run.

2. College of Vety. Sciences & A.H. Aizawal Mizoram established on 22.10.98, newly constructed campus inaugurated on 17-10-2001. 61 candidates are on roll at Undergraduate level. 1st batch of Undergraduate level to pass out in Jan., 2003.

3. College of Fisheries Lembuchera Tripura Estt. on 6.11.98 and 42 candidates are entolled to Undergraduate programme & 1st batch of Undergraduates likely to pass out in Aug., 2002.